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New Bern Lodge of Perfection No. 6

Monday Night, December 11, 1967

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Refreshments and Social Hour 9:00 P.M.

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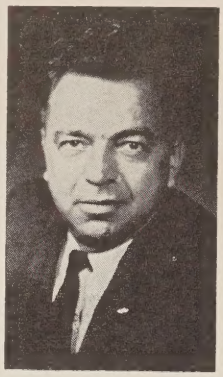
Bagpipe Skirls

Dear Brethren,

Heigh-ho! Another year has . . . shall we, evaporated? Here it is almost gone.



Just a bit of December, the rest of the shopping, Santa Claus, seeing the year out, and a few headaches are about all that is left. And, of course, memories. Thank goodness for those. They may not all be the BEST in the world, it's true, but many of them are. Another year almost gone that has given us reasons to be grateful. Are we? Really grateful — enough?

The bag is all excited over the coming events. He has a few quips, jokes, and such to offer. When he has finished — I'll add a few remarks.

Fault is the easiest thing to find, yet many people keep on looking for it.

Life is 10 per cent what you make it and 90 per cent how you take it.

The worst moment for an atheist is when he feels grateful and has no one to thank.

A frog was caught in a deep rut in a road and, in spite of the help of his friends, could not get out. Finally his friends left him in despair, but the next day they saw him out of the rut and as chipper as ever.

"I thought you couldn't get out," said one of them.

"I couldn't," replied the frog. "But a truck came along and I had to."

Streets paved with gold are scarce, but once in a while we can find a few minutes left on a parking meter.

Sometimes it takes a lot of scratching to get out of a situation you were itching to get into.

A doctor says the ears and throat are connected. This may be why so many things we hear give us a pain in the neck.

Overheard: It's costing us more to make history than the stuff is worth.

The man who tends strictly to his own business has a steady job.

Sam: "What did the ocean say to the beach?"

Ted: "Nothing. It just waved."

High school junior to recruiting officer: "But you can't turn me down! I've proposed to three girls, told my principal what I think of him, and sold my car."

Restaurant owner: "Some of my customers must think that the forks, knives, and spoons are a sort of medicine."

Wife: "Why do you say that?"

Restaurant owner: "Some of my customers take them after meals."

The speaker-to-be inquired of the chairman: "How long shall I speak?"

The chairman answered cheerfully: "Why, talk as long as you like — but we all leave at 8:30."

Children are natural mimics. They act like their parents in spite of efforts to teach them better.

Now, I think the bag has taken up all the time alloted for his bit. A word from the piper. "Most of us don't realize what poor losers we are until we try dieting."

And — we both wish you all the blessings of Christmas time and happiness in the New Year.

Your piper,
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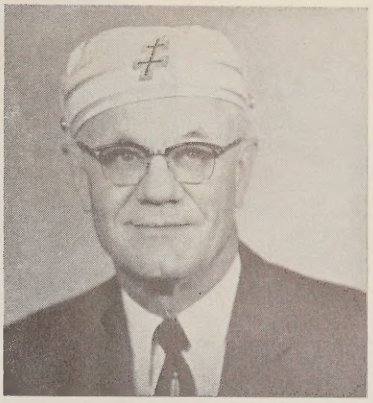


R. L. Pugh, 33°

Dear Brethren:

The Fall Reunion is now history. It was a splendid one in every sense of the word. The class of candidates numbered 165 which was an excellent representation even though it did not reach the desired 200. The degrees were beautifully conferred. We were honored with a visit from our distinguished Inspector General, Ill. James G. Johnston, 33°, and his charming and delightful wife, the Inspector General being present for the Investiture of the rank and decoration of the Knights Commander of the Court of Honour.

Our Welcoming Committee responded beautifully to their duties, the wives of the candidates attending were well entertained, the food was delicious, well prepared and excellently served. All in all everybody seemed most enthusiastic and this enthusiasm and cooperation combined to make this one of the finest Reunions we have ever had.

But we now look forward to the next Reunion. It is pointless for us to wait until a few weeks prior to the Reunion to begin activities; consequently, we have already begun setting our sights for the Spring Reunion and will labor more enthusiastically to achieve a class of 200 for that time. We plan to be in touch with every member several times in the near future and we solicit now a continuation of the enthusiastic cooperation you have given.

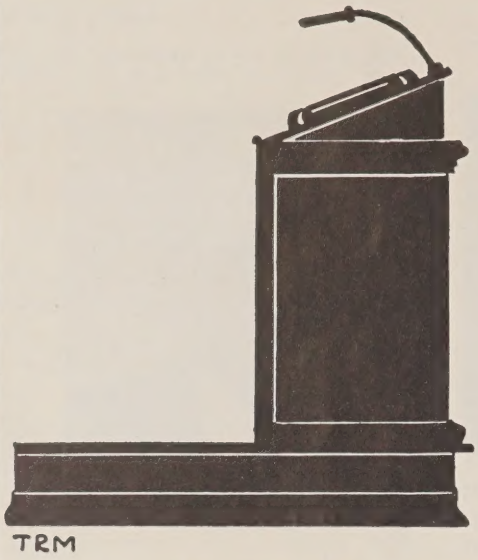
Parenthetically, the Executive Committee has changed the date of the Spring Reunion. The new date has been set for April 2, 3 and 4. This will avoid all interference with the activities of Holy Week, which comes during the week after.

In the meantime, Christmas is approaching and the folks in our office want to wish everyone the MERRIEST CHRISTMAS ever!

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

R. L. Pugh

Robert L. Pugh, 33°, Secretary



From The Classroom

BY EDWARD P. BLAIR, 33° CLASS LECTURER

LOOKING BACKWARDS AND LOOKING FORWARD

Interestingly enough, a Scottish Rite Reunion draws an imaginary line between the past and the future. A past which is memory and a future which is hope. Each Reunion together brings an invisible touch of closeness, when friends get together again and join with others to take the Degrees of the Rite. Let us also, rest assured that while the candidates are mingling together in their pursuit of more light in the Masonry; up in the robing room and back stage, old friends are also, trading precious memories. While the dew drops of love and charity are falling gently around them. There is nothing more beautiful than the fellowship of those who work together and plan together, to help lift the veil of darkness into light.

But while this bit of retrospection goes on, one cannot help but look ahead. Where do we go from here? **Are the memories all that bring us together, no, there must be more, and there is more.** It is true, while we pay a tribute of love and respect to those who have preceded us and those who have attained prominence in this glorious adventure, we remain, even though their hearts are still and their voices hushed looking into the great beyond. We stand now at the cross-roads in Scottish Masonry. With waves of violence, belittling of values, and a gnawing away at the dignity of man coming our way; we must stand firm and we must look ahead, a due regard for the past and the attainments of precious toilers strengthens our hope and purpose for the future. It has been well said that "Somebody ought to put a sign up in the sky where where all could see — Beware lest you forget your forefathers and their labors for you."

Progress, however, is not automatic, progress comes because there are high-minded souls who want it to come. It comes to those who are willing to dare, to share, and to give that the world might be a little better and a little sweeter place in which to live. There is the place we should take our stand. A school or a church is seldom ever founded by one person, but a group of persons working together. A Government is not usually the work of one man, but a group of men, united and acting together. Therein lies the hope of our future. If we separate the coals around the open fire, they will go out, but if we pull them together, those coals will provide both warmth and light.

Scottish Rite Masonry can help to make this world better and each one of us should be proud to be a part of its army. But the time has arrived, indeed, it is past, when we had better take those lessons from the lodge room, home with us and live with them and by them. The hand of fraternalism is perhaps, stronger today and mightier than ever before,

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but it must be united and it must act together. Yes, there is a line drawn in every Reunion between the Past and the Future. Our hope now lies in the future. Those lessons, those principles, those incidental explanations must be heeded or else the Temple Staff itself might collapse. Our beloved American Republic which sprang into being from the germs of Democratic Masonic ideals, is being weakened by things that are not Masonic in any sense of the word. **The answer then is more Masonry, more of the Scottish Rite. Not less, but more; therein lies the hope of the future.**

"May the God of mercy look with infinite favor upon our great Masonic organizations that are lifting up his fallen children and instilling into their hearts purer ideals and inspiring their lives with nobler ambitions than ever before."

OUR AMERICAN SPIRITUAL HERITAGE

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YOM KIPPUR-HANNUKAH-CHRISTMAS

Contemplating these sublime parts of our American Heritage, the President of the United States, by official proclamation, has set aside Thursday, November 23rd, as a day of Thanksgiving. More than three hundred years ago, to escape religious tyranny and the harsh rule of kings, Jews and Gentiles alike made the perilous voyage to America, determined once and for all to bring into being a land of freedom where each could worship the Deity after his own choice. Scottish Rite Masons join in acknowledging:

YOM KIPPUR. On Saturday, October 14th, Jews all over the world celebrated the day of atonement. The holiest; the richest in religious significance; the day when the Jew feels closest to his God and his people. The day of atonement and forgiveness; the climax of a forty-day period of self-examination and spiritual stock-taking-of self-scrutiny, confession of wrongdoing, and prayerful plea for divine forgiveness.

HANNUKAH. The Jewish Festival of Lights. It begins at sundown December 26th, and is concluded January 3rd. This eight-day festival of our Jewish brethren commemorates the victory of the Hebrews in the struggle and ultimate victory over the pagan Hellenistic forces during the period of Greco-Syrian religious persecution. During these days Jews remember their ancient struggle for freedom and rededicate themselves to the ideal of freedom for all men. Their children are taught to understand the significance of this Festival — they light a candle the first day, and one each succeeding day.

CHRISTMAS. The Christian members of our Scottish Rite group eagerly await that day in December — the 25th — when in the sanctity of the home, surrounded by their loved ones, they pay respect to the age-old circumstance — the birth of the Christ Child. According to St. Luke, "That night on the hills near Bethlehem as shepherds watched their flocks . . . From the sky they heard a voice saying, Fear not for I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto

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you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God, and saying, Glory be to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

In this year A. D. 1967, Jews and Gentiles are concerned. They see our churches gradually growing in secularization as against the spiritual. Across a troubled world, atheistic-communism continues to rear its ugly head, focusing attention upon the deliberate resolve to destroy religion in America — the very heart and soul of our Heritage. Scottish Rite masonry — over one million strong — is proud and determined to aid in preserving the spiritual values which have made our nation a center of religious faith in the civilized world. Despite the countless analyses and cricicisms that have been written

For nearly two thousand years no man has been able conclusively to disprove the historical existence and the divine attributes of the man David; the man Moses; the man Jesus Christ.

We of the Scottish Rite express to those who are oppressed, and who may spiritually hunger, our unswerving Faith in the existence of the Supreme Architect of our Universe. We extend to them in invitation — with us — prayerfully to say:

Our Father, we thank Thee; and praise Thee; and magnify thy Holy Name. Amen.

SCOTTISH RITERS IN VIET NAM

The accompanying photograph is an excellent representation of Scottish Rite members participating in the conflict in Viet Nam. All of the Brethren shown in the picture are members of the Scottish Rite, all are 32° Masons with the exception of Major General Nickerson, who is a 33°. The picture was taken at Da Nang on September 18. 1967. General Nickerson was transferred back to America shortly after this picture was taken, arriving on our West Coast October 18th. It is reported that he will now be stationed in the District of Columbia attached to the Headquarters Staff for his next assignment. New Bern Consistory is proud to claim most of these Brethren among its membership.

Standing, left to right: Lt. Commander Harold E. McNair, 32°; Ist Lt. George L. Armetage, 32°; Warrant Officer Mull H. McCormick, 32°; Colonel Herbert E. Ing., Jr., 32°; Major General H. Nickerson, Jr., 33°. Kneeling, left to right: 2nd Lt. Howard F. Wesner, Jr., 32°; Lt. Commander Otto Schneider, 32° and Captain James R. McElroy, 32°.

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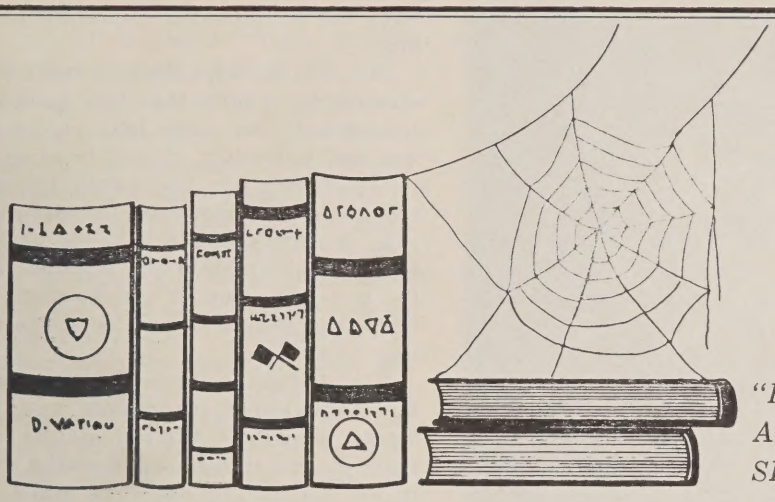

TEMPLE TOMES

"IT IS THE GLORY OF GOD TO CONCEAL A THING: but the honor OF KINGS IS TO SEARCH OUT A MATTER." (*Prov.* 25:2)

OH, TANNENBAUM!

The Christmas (or Channukah) tree, often thought of as being pagan is used at this Christmastime as a centerpiece of the joyous festival of Lights.

In the near East there is the Acacia tree. (Heb. "Shittin" which the Septuagint translants "Incurruptible"). This wood has the property or characteristic of effectively withstanding the ravages of the hot dry climate of the desert.

Noah's ark was made of acacia, and so were the supports, and the altars of the Tabernacle-in-the-Wilderness. Acacia was used extensively in the Holy of Holies within King Solomon's Temple. The Ark of the Covenant was made of Acacia wood and overlaid with pure gold, a symbol of Diety.

Isaiah alludes to this tree when he prophesies the coming of the Messiah-King (53;2) "For He shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground . . . ," meaning that the Royal House of Israel which had lain dormant since the last king Zedekiah had been blinded and led captive into Babylon, like the Acacia tree would blossom forth verdantly out of the dry ground as a tender plant (sprig), a symbol of the resurrection Life.

Therefore, let us all enjoy our lighted Christmas trees as a festive symbol of Joy, in that our King is born anew out of a dry ground and into endless Life.

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Reynold Davenport, 33°

There has certainly been a great deal of Scottish Rite activity in Onslow-Lejeune during recent weeks. Two meetings of the Onslow-Lejeune Scottish Rite Club and our October 19th ladies night party have highlighted our preparations for the November Reunion. Inasmuch as this article must be submitted prior to reunion, but will not appear in print until after the reunion, we cannot say here just what harvest was reaped from these preparations. We probably will not have reached the goal of seventy-five candidates that Brother Pugh asked us to meet, but we feel sure that final results will list a good Onslow-Lejeune representation in the November class.

On October 26th Camp Lejeune Chapter No. 329, National Sojourners, dedicated their meeting to the memory of Colonel William T. Bray, former Assistant Base Commander at Lejeune. Brother Bray, 32°, an Ambassador of our New Bern bodies, was president of Chapter No. 329 at the time of his death on September 28th, and was a much beloved and respected Marine, Man, and Mason. Major General Joseph O. Butcher, 32°, delivered a beautiful eulogy of Brother Bray, recalling the many wonderful qualities of his life and character. The candidates elected to membership during this meeting were named "The William T. Bray Class."

We were delighted to see Major General H. Nickerson, Jr., 33°, upon his return from Viet Nam. Brother Nickerson was in Onslow-Lejeune a week in October before going on to Washington for future assignment. He looked fit after a year spent in Viet Nam; first as Commanding General of the First Marine Division, and later as Deputy Commanding General of all Marine forces in the area. We will always remember Brother Nickerson's many contributions to Masonry during the time he was commanding Camp Lejeune, and we know

REYNOLD DAVENPORT, 33°
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that Masonry is going to receive strong boosts wherever he may henceforth reside.

One of our far-out ambassadors was recently heard from. Brother Harold E. McNair, 32°, writes from Da Nang, Viet Nam that events there are not nearly so enjoyable as in Onslow-Lejeune. Brother Hal is a Lieutenant Commander in the Navy and went to Viet Nam last summer. He writes that he is anticipating a little rest period in Australia around the first of the year. We certainly hope that Brother McNair will be coming back to us when he completes his Viet Nam tour, he was sorely missed when he left. Brother McNair and Brother Mull Hall McCormick have each forwarded pictures of a group of Scottish Rite brethren who had assembled in Da Nang for a September Sojourner meeting.

And, finally, Mary Frances and I were dressing for a party the other night and I, as usual, was ready long before she was half-way ready. So, again as usual, I was pressed into her service in order that she might more speedily adorn herself. We finally made it to the earring stage, at which point she selected from the jewel box one of the earrings she desired to wear and directed me to find its mate.

I went through the box, compartment by compartment, backwards and forwards. Finally I dumped all the contents on the dresser and replaced them in the box, one by one. The other earring just was not there. I conveyed this intelligence to Mary Frances and she asked, somewhat impatiently, "Have you looked in my black pocketbook?" I had to admit that it had not occurred to me to do so, and I confessed to have been an utter idiot not to have realized that if one earring was in the jewel box box it naturally followed that the other should be in a pocketbook. Feminine logic! YOU explain it. Incidentally, the other earring WAS in the pocketbook.

That's all from Onslow.

"FROM UP THE NEUSE"

by John D. Charlton, 32°

One of the basic principles of Scottish Rite Masonry is that of education for all, and as supporters of this principle we become both learner and teacher. Teaching is best done by example. What a driving power the Scottish Rite Masons of this Valley could be if we would unite together to teach by example any one subject. Brethren we do have a subject that demands our atten-

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tion, both as Masons and as citizens, this subject is called "Good Driving Habits and Highway Safety".

The lifting up of this topic was prompted by the look of utter despair I observed on the face of one of our good brothers, a State Highway Patrolman, as he was investigating the death of the 8 year old daughter of a mutual friend of ours. This accident between bicycle and car, as unavoidable as it appears, serves only to emphasize our brother's outspoken thought, "When are we ever going to stop these highway fatalities?" Stop, probably never, but reduce we must. Many of the highway patrolmen and police officers are masonic brothers and they need our help. The reduction of highway deaths will only come about when large segments of our population decide to do something about it. I think it is time that Scottish Rite Masons, all Masons for that matter, decide to take on the roll of teacher and by example do something about it. Masons are respected men in their communities, or should be, and their example as good and safe drivers can do much to improve the driving habits of others.

Who can you directly teach? It is your responsibility as a husband, father, and citizen to teach your wife and children to be good, safe, courteous drivers. To have respect for and uphold the laws of the state which were made to aid in assuring you a safe highway to travel. You can depend on "Driver Education" courses to teach your child the mechanics of good driving. But only you, by example, can teach them courtesy and respect for others and the laws made to protect them. Aid your brothers, who work for you as guardians of our highways, to reduce this needless carnage. Be a Mason, be an example behind the wheel of your automobile that will teach others to "Drive Safely".

JOHN D. CHARLTON, 32°,
Kinston, N. C.

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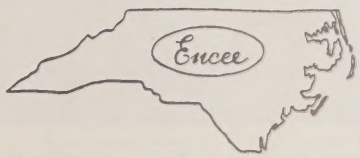

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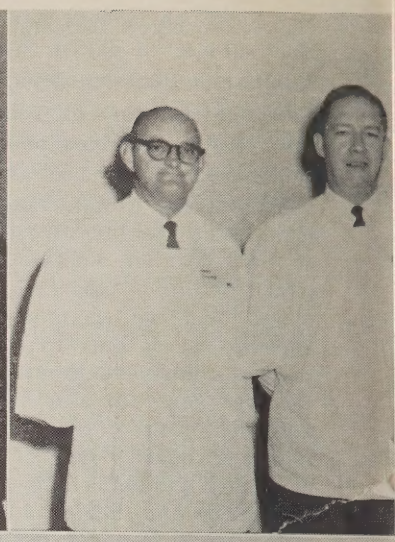

1. Brother James W. Brewer, 33°, presenting flowers to Mrs. James G. Johnston, the wife of of our Inspector General in North Carolina.
2. Mrs. Charles A. Seifert, the wife of our beloved late Secretary, with her daughters, Mrs. Oscar Kafer, Mrs. George G. Smith and Mrs. Fleming Talman, all of whom attended the banquet honoring our late Secretary.
3. Class officers of the Charles A. Seifert Memorial Class. Left to right: Harry W. Crump, Orator; Sam L. Pittman, Secretary; Robert B. Wilson, Vice-President; Henry Clay Oglesby, President.
4. Speaker's Table — Banquet in memory of our late Secretary, Charles A. Seifert, 33°.
5. The newly invested K.C.C.H.'s together vestiture.
6. All 33° Masons present for the Investit
7. M. E. Hoffman, 33°, former Secreta Crater, Secretary, Winston-Salem Sc Raleigh Scottish Rite Bodies; A. A. lina; James G. Johnston, 33°, S.G.I.G. tish Rite Bodies of Greensboro; Watson Bodies; W. Ed Burrier, 33°, Secretary Cha 33°, Secretary New Bern Bodies.

SCOTTISH RITE CLUBS

ALBERT PIKE SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The "Albert Pike Scottish Rite Club" of Plymouth, N. C. held its regular meeting Oct. 26, at which time they were host to the "Scottish Rite Masons" from the surrounding counties. We were delighted to have each one of our brethren, and each visiting brother with their Ladies, and hope they will visit us again real soon.

We were very happy to have with us Brother Robert L. Pugh our fine secretary. Brother Pugh made very interesting remarks about his program for the coming reunion, and outlined the program, arranged for the Ladies.

Brother Ed Blair was our speaker for the evening, and brought us a very entertaining, as well as a very profound and inspiring message on Scottish Rite Masonry. It was indeed a pleasure to have both Brother Pugh and Brother Blair with us.

Our next meeting will be on Nov. 20, arrangements to be announced later.

There is a "What's the use" attitude today, which in effect expresses a willingness on the part of many to cancel as worthless the moral fibre of man, to push aside honesty and integrity as virtues which have lost their meanings, and to dismiss as outmoded and old-fashioned attachment to duty.

We discuss the irresponsibility of youth, but we fail to understand that the conditions which we deplore represent the thinking of those who are not young.

Welfare has lost its true meaning. No longer is the word associated with the ideal of personal concern for the less fortunate.

We accept corruption and graft in high places, even to the point of admiration for those who are "smart" enough to get by with it.

Masons must turn the tide. Although we often use the expression Masonic Education, we must also speak of Masonic Consciousness.

Patriotism, personal integrity, self-respect, loyalty to country, moral responsibility, unswerving faith in God—these must again be the dominant strength of America if we are to defeat the fatalistic philosophy of "What's the use".

As Masons who have learned the true purpose of life, who have studied under a system that has stood the test of time, and as men who hold dear those things which account for the greatness of America, we must understand the present dangerous trend and proceed with confidence and courage in an effort to have old-fashioned virtues enthroned again in the minds and hearts of the people.

It wasn't the Bastille and it wasn't the Winter Palace; it was only the Pentagon and what took place was as American as apple pie used to be.

American, that is, as the country has come to expect segments of this society to behave themselves when they disapprove of what is going on.

Three Presidents have now had to use troops against their own citizens: Eisenhower at Little Rock, Kennedy at Oxford and Johnson at Detroit and in Virginia at the Pentagon. All because Americans differed violently.

Well, Americans have always differed; but there seems to be something in the air these days. The old orders are not just changing; they are disappearing. And what is taking their places is not always good to look upon.

This was a weekend march, mainly students from all over the country, to protest American participation in the Vietnam war. As in all such matters, there were militant take-charge guys who caused the trouble. Some wanted the notoriety. Some wanted anarchy, make no mistake about that. They took over from the students and the flower children and the mini-minds who drift with these things to wherever the crowd's the largest and loudest. In the end a few heads were billied, a few hundred were jailed. It wasn't the Bastille.

But it was altogether symptomatic of our society. Who taught the disapproving to march and protest? The Constitution; all citizens have a right to peaceably assemble and petition for a redress of grievances. The right of petition is a part of our liberty.

But liberty often is misread for license these days. Why? Because Presidents have urged citizens to take to the streets to tie up cities to protest laws they dislike. So much for law.

A Vice President has publicly proclaimed that he would riot, too, if he stood in the shoes of those who did. So much for order. The reporters write that the signs some of the protesters carried bore the foulest language; but foul language has the imprimatur and sanction now of the United States Supreme Court. So much for decency.

The truth is, our society is adrift of anchors it once knew. Clergymen debate the existence of God. Murderers murder and rapists rape and society is engaged more with the rights of the transgressor than of the victim. Any where one looks about — the movies, the television, the newspapers, the magazines, the books, the stage — nearly everything is part of the unhappy catalogue of inhumanity to man. The weekend march was a protest against our society, a protest against our involvement in Vietnam. But the protesters would be the last to say that they were protesting against our society.

Those who believe in decency and law

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and order and safety on the streets at night are still in the great majority in this country, one supposes. But unless they take hold of this society through the people they choose to govern them and unless the officials bring some order into our present disarray, a few broken heads at the Pentagon may be the least we can look for in protest against a society all of us helped build.

In closing, this thought is left with you; Regardless of the problems which you may encounter as a citizen, or for that matter, in life, Scottish Rite Masonry can and will help you solve them.

Wilmer C. Chesson, Secretary

BEAUFORT COUNTY SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

We had another steak cookout with twenty-two people present. With that many steaks being charcoaled at one time it is a pretty sight and how they did smell. Every one seemed to have a very good time. Of course we had a lttle entertainment afterwards.

President Eddie Jackson presided at the meeting after the meal while the ladies were cleaning up the kitchen.

The minutes were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was approved.

Much discussion was made about the prospective candidates of the up-coming reunion. We have at least two new candidates.

The treasurer paid $4.97 to president Jackson for the extra cost of today's meal.

Earl Hill moved that the club pay the Beaufort County Shrine Club $130.00 to apply on the cost of a heating unit, the payment to be made after installation of the unit. Ralph Greene seconded the motion and all voted in favor. The secretary was instructed to notify the Beaufort County Shrine Club.

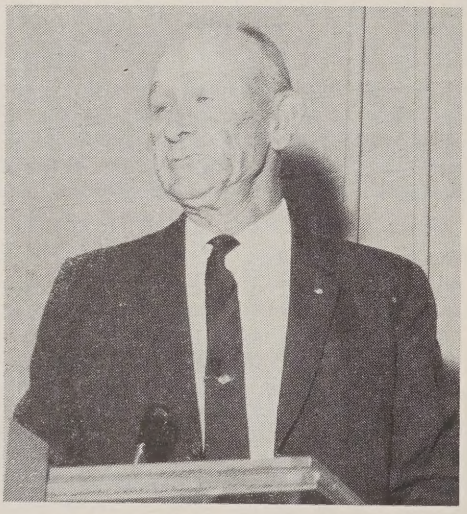
A nominating committee was appointed, Robt. Mohler Ch., with Julian Vann and Ashley Leggett.

It was decided that the next meeting of this club to be December third at five thirty in the afternoon. Dr. Raymond Alexander is to provide the program.

There was no further business and the club adjourned.

Ashley G. Leggett, Sec.

Members and guests enjoy the Morehead City-Beaufort party!



Morehead City-Beaufort Ladies' Night William G. Lewis, 32°, introducing the speaker — our Secretary — Robert L. Pugh, 33°.

MARTIN COUNTY SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The Martin County Scottish Rite Club met Wednesday night, November 1, at the Town and Country Restaurant in Williamston, N. C.

Officers for 1968 were elected as follows: President: Hilton Forbes, Williamston, N. C.; Vice-President: Bill Tetterton, Williamston, N. C.; and Secretary and Treasurer: P. C. Bryant, Williamston, N. C.

It was decided by the group to meet monthly on the first Wednesday night. Meeting place will be rotated among the towns of the county that have facilities to feed the group.

Plans for the up-coming reunion were discussed and arrangements with the candidates were made.

P. C. Bryant, Secretary

NEW BERN SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

We were very pleased to have as our guest at our October meeting the Worthy Advisor for the Craven Chapter of the Rainbow Girls, Miss Betty Palmer. The New Bern club is proud to have been able to assist these very talented girls by making a contribution in the amount of $25.00. We take great comfort in knowing that these girls will be the wives and mothers of our country and we feel that the lessons of the Chapter of Rainbow Girls will help them meet their challenge.

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Congratulations are in order for Bro. Bill Adams who was recently elevated to the honorary 33°. Bro. Bill does not claim all the spotlight though because our club can boast of several brothers who have received their K.C.C.H. during this past Reunion. Also to be congratulated are brother I. G. Weatherly, Marvin Wilson, Nat Baxter, Nelson Banks and Clarence Koonce. The club is very proud of you and know it is an honor well deserved. Those of us who were present for the Investiture could do nothing less than shine with pride for them in their glory.

Fifty persons enjoyed the fall banquet of the New Bern Scottish Rite Club which was held recently at the Berne Restaurant. A timely message by Bro. Jim Roberts based on Masonic values and the troubled times of lawlessness in our country left a mark of awareness on all. Bro. Jim Roberts, 32°, is a practicing attorney from Greenville, N. C.

Jack Jones, 32°, Secretary

MINUTES OF OCRACOKE SCOTTISH RITE CLUB MEETING OCTOBER 24, 1967

On October 24, 1967 the Ocracoke Island Scottish Rite Club was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Brother Benjamin O'Neal with nineteen members present.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and make plans for the Ladies' Nite Dinner on Saturday October 28, 1967. As of date we have forty-seven Brethren and guests attending, with anticipation of one hundred. The President asked for club members and their wives to entertain visiting Brethren and guests during the day of the dinner. Brother Oscar Burrus volunteered to take some of our visitors on a fishing trip, while others volunteered to show the rest some of the highlights of Ocracoke Island.

Under new business; President Brother Ben asked for discussion by the club members for the club to sponsor Ocracoke School basketball team and to help purchase their uniforms and equipment. The motion was made, seconded and voted approved that the club help in any way they can within their means for this worthy cause.

It was also decided that the club help the newly organized fire department in any way they can.

Brother Alex Eley extended use of his restaurant, The Pony Island, to the club anytime after Thanksgiving for any of their club needs.

A card of appreciation was received from Brother Donald Snell for the wreath sent from the club at the time of his wife's death. Brother David Ballance expressed his thanks for the grateful kindness shown him at the loss of his wife.

President Ben thanked Brothers Leon Scarborough and William Garrish, Jr. for their help in obtaining addresses of the Island's servicemen away from home for the purpose of sending letters to them.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned by the President.

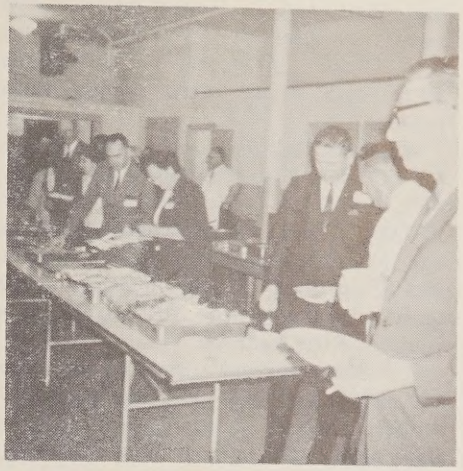
Respectfully submitted,
Leon R. Scarborough
Secretary

ONSLOW-LEJEUNE LADIES' NIGHT

The Onslow-Lejeune Scottish Rite Club introduced several innovations on October 19th when we staged our ladies' night party. We were trying to entertain more Masons and ladies than we had previously been able to, trying to give prospective candidates more information regarding a Scottish Rite Reunion, and trying to create during the party more opportunity for fellowship.

Thanks to the efforts of many club members and their wives we were emi-

ONSLOW-LEJEUNE LADIES' NIGHT PARTY



Sudan Recorder Nelson B. Banks, 32°, K.C.C.H., helps himself to the delicious food at the Onslow-Lejeune party.

Members and guests assemble for Onslow-LeJeune party.

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nently successful in these efforts. The three hundred and fifty persons attending constituted the largest gathering we have ever entertained in recent history. Seventy-five prospective candidates, with their wives, were among those present.

Brothers Bob Pugh, 33°; Will Moore, 33°; Charlie Midyette, 33°; Paul Vogan, 32°, K.C.C.H.; and Gene Lewis, 32°, K.C.C.H.; were down from New Bern and presented an interesting program which outlined to the prospects and their wives with the full scope of a Scottish Rite Reunion.

A buffet meal was served by members and ladies of the club, while other volunteers greeted, conducted, and in other ways saw to the comfort and entertainment of our guests. The fellowship during the party was the best we've ever enjoyed.

The success of this party was due to the efforts of many members and their wives, with a lot of help from Brother Pugh and others from New Bern. We proved that we can do a great deal than we have heretofore done. We can now combine the best features of this party with those of previous parties and plan even better parties in the future.

Reynold Davenport

THE C. A. SEIFERT MEMORIAL CLASS

Tuesday afternoon, November 14, 1967, the C. A. Seifert Memorial Class of candidates receiving the beautiful and inspiring degrees of the Scottish Rite at the Fall Reunion of the New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies held its first business meeting in the classroom under the temporary chairmanship of Lecturer Brother E. P. Blair, 33°.

The following Officers were elected:

President: Brother Henry Clay Oglesby of Grifton; Vice-President; Brother Robert W. Wilson of Grimesland; Secretary; Brother Sam L. Pittman of New Bern; Orator: Brother Harry W. Crump of New Bern.

With no further business at hand, the business meeting was adjourned by the President.

Thursday night, November 16, 1967, the conduct of the program being given to the direction of the class President, Brother Oglesby expressed the deep appreciation of the class to Brother E. P. Blair, 33°, Lecturer; Brother Thomas G. Slate, 33°, Class Marshall, and Brother Leslie L. Parker, 32°, K.C.C.H., Asst. Class Marshall, for the personal attention that these Brethren had given in connection with the lectures and in conducting the Brethren to and from the classroom. Brother Oglesby further expressed the appreciation of the class to the Ladies of the Eastern Star for their tireless work in preparing and serving the excellent meals for which they are well known.

Brother Oglesby expressed the thanks of the class for the impressive and professional degree work conferred by obviously dedicated teams of the Consistory, and thanked the Director of the work, Brother Charles T. Midyette, Jr., 33°, his staff, the stage crew, and costume department, acknowledging outstanding spirit of fellowship and cooperation extended by the members of the New Bern Consistory present at the Reunion. His fellow officers expressed their thanks for the most spendid meeting, and the class Orator, Brother Harry W. Crump, addressed the class and members present.

Through Brother Oglesby, the class pledged themselves to do their best to be back for the Spring Reunion with a record number of candidates.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Most respectfully submitted,
Sam L. Pittman, Secretary

To Our New Initiates

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Gerald I. Potter.....Jacksonville, N. C.
Arthur R. Willis, Jr.....New Bern, N. C.
Carlyle D. Woodlief.....Wake Forest, N. C.

15° through 32°

Julian E. Arrington.....Beaufort, N. C.
Walter C. Willis.....Harkers Island, N. C.

19° through 32°

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John T. Bracy.....Gates, N. C.
Robert L. Bridgers.....Conway, N. C.
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Edgar H. Bunch.....Ahoskie, N. C.
Richard A. Clack.....Rocky Mount, N. C.
Joe Mack Davis.....Seaboard, N. C.
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4° through 32°

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Raleigh F. Barbour.....New Bern, N. C.
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Elwood R. Bass.....Jacksonville, N. C.
Donald Ray Beck.....Havelock, N. C.
Furney B. Bland.....Kinston, N. C.
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COUNTIES AND TOWNS REPRESENTED, AND NUMBER OF CANDIDATES

	Town	County
Beaufort County		1
Washington	1	
Camden County		1
Shiloh	1	
Carteret County		18
Beaufort	6	
Morehead City	8	
Newport	3	
Smyrna	1	
Craven County	48	
Cherry Point	7	
Havelock	5	
New Bern	36	
Cumberland County		17
Fayetteville	15	
Spring Lake	2	
Dare County		3
Manteo	3	
Duplin County		4
(Give Onslow County 3)		
Chinquapin	3	
Albertson	1	
Edgecombe-Nash Counties		3
Rocky Mount	3	
Gates County		1
Gates	1	
Greene County		2
Hookerton	2	
Halifax County		4
Enfield	3	
Scotland Neck	1	
Hertford County		4
Ahoskie	4	
Hyde County		1
Ocracoke	1	
Lenoir County		6
Kinston	3	
LaGrange	1	
Pink Hill	2	
Martin County		2
Robersonville	2	
Northampton County		5
Conway	4	
Seaboard	1	
Onslow County		22
Camp Lejeune	2	
Holly Ridge	1	
Hubert	2	
Jacksonville	12	
Midway Park	1	
Richlands	1	
Swansboro	1	
Tarawa Terrace	2	
Pamlico County		1
Oriental	1	
Pasquotank County		2
Elizabeth City	2	
Pitt County		11
Ayden	1	
Farmville	4	
Greenville	3	
Grifton	2	
Grimesland	1	
Richmond County		1
Hamlet	1	
Wake County		1
Wake Forest	1	
Washington County		2
Plymouth	2	
Wilson County		5
Lucama	3	
Wilson	2	
TOTALS	165	165

November 21, 1967

Ill. Robert L. Pugh, 33°
P. O. Box 1449
New Bern, N. C.

Dear Bob:

Sarah and I wish you and all the brethren to know of our deep appreciation of the many courtesies we enjoyed at your hands on our trip to New Bern last week. Your hospitable expressions so delighted us that we have willingly and joyously increased our love for the New Bern brethren — if an increase is possible.

I want you and all the brethren to

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know, also, of my appreciation of the very creditable manner in which you conducted the Ceremonial of Investiture. The conferral was excellent, the ritual was superbly handled and the welcome was sincere.

Everyone concerned is grateful to you, particularly the Inspector General.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
Jimmy
Sovereign Grand Inspector General
in North Carolina

The family of Roy McLawhon acknowledges with grateful appreciation your kind expression of sympathy.

Merry Christmas
TO
Our Advertisers

In Memoriam

When the last feeble steps have been taken,
And the gates of the Lodge shall appear.
And the beautiful songs of the angels
Float out on the listening ear,
Then all that now seems mysterious,
Will be plain and clear as the day,
And the toils of the road will seem nothing,
When we get to the end of the way.

Donald Gilliam Matthews, Sr., 32°, Hamilton, N. C.	**December 22, 1966**
William C. Fulford, 32°, New Bern, N. C.	**November 11, 1967**
Francis E. Ballard, 32°, New Bern, N. C.	**October 29, 1967**
William A. Siegel. 32°, Continental, Ohio	**November 16, 1967**
William B. Hanff, 32°, New Bern, N. C.	**November 26, 1967**

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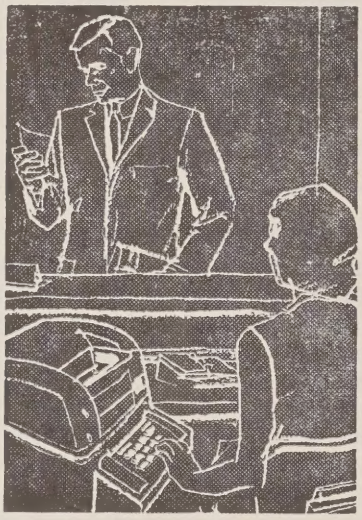

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FALL REUNION — November 14, 15 and 16, 1967

Dedicated to the memory of the late Charles Alvin Seifert, Secretary of the Scottish Rite Bodies of the Valley of New Bern from 1929 to 1967, the annual Fall Reunion of the organization was held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, November 14, 15 and 16.

165 candidates were in the class receiving instruction. This represented one of the largest classes the New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies have ever had and now brings our membership to a figure slightly less than 5,000.

The memorial services eulogizing the life and service of Mr. Seifert were held in the C. A. Seifert Banquet Hall of the Scottish Rite Temple at 6:30 o'clock during the dinner hour with the members of his immediate family present as guests. The eulogy was delivered by Judge W. J. Bundy, 33°, of Greenville, N. C. and the memorial prayer by Ill. R. H. Lucas, 33° of Plymouth, N. C.

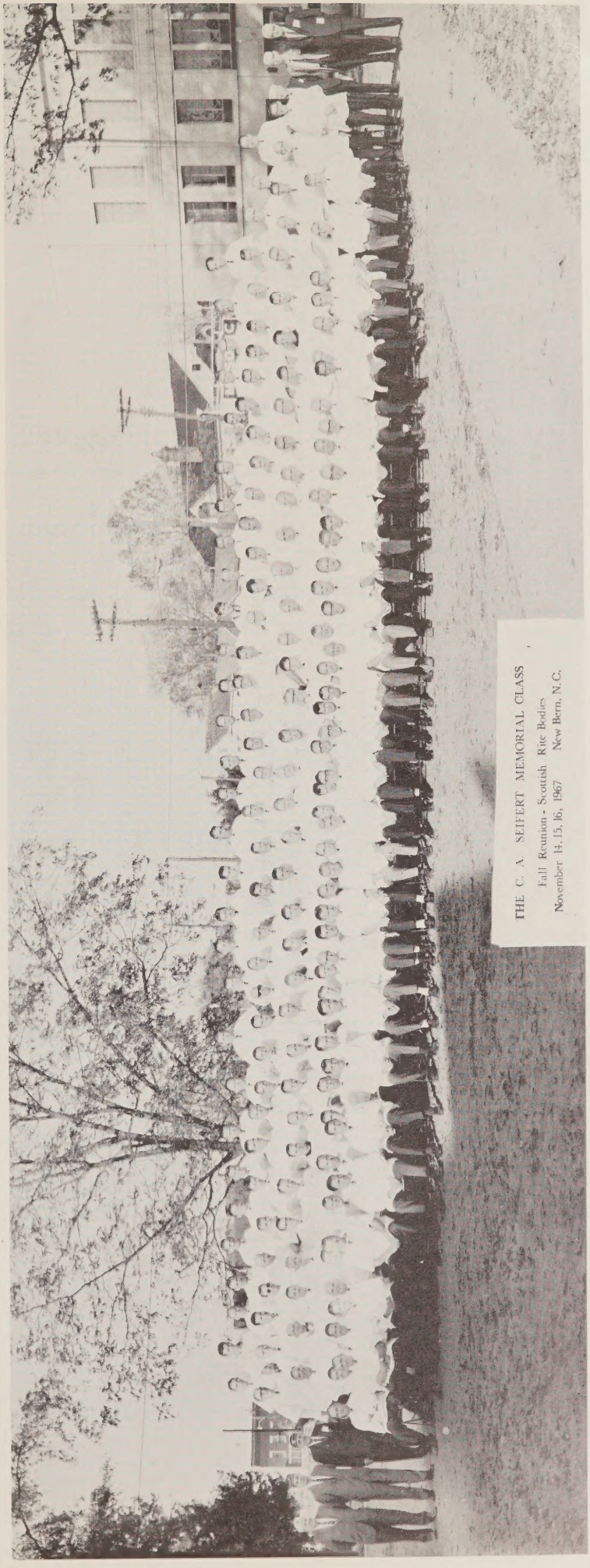
The Reunion activities continued through Thursday when the Inspector General in North Carolina, Ill. James G. Johnston, 33°, of Charlotte, N. C. was present and in charge of the K.C.C.H. Investiture which was held at Sudan Temple auditorium at 3:00 P.M. The honour was bestowed on all 32° Masons from North Carolina who were elected to receive the coveted award by the Supreme Council at a meeting held recently in Washington, D. C., among whom were the following who are members of the New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies:

Marvin Wilson, New Bern, N. C., Mark Stamps, Havelock, N. C., Irvin G. Weatherly, New Bern, N. C., Clarence Koonce, New Bern, N. C., Daniel E. Pitt, Rocky Mount, N. C., William Floyd Thomason, Jr., Jacksonville, N. C., William C. Hammond, Jr., Lumberton, N. C., William R. Leggett, Kinston, N. C., Willie J. Rogers, Greenville, N. C., Nathaniel M. Baxter, New Bern, N. C., John I. Gallop, Ocracoke, N. C. and Nelson B. Banks, New Bern, N. C.

Around 300 guests from other Scottish Rite Bodies of North Carolina attended the Investiture Ceremony. A degree team from the New Bern Bodies, at the request of the Inspector General, conferred the investiture.

Some 35 wives of candidates were entertained during the Reunion with tours and trips with Mrs. J. R. Chadwick as hostess.

The Reunion closed with a concluding banquet in the C. A. Seifert Banquet Hall on November 16th at 6:00 o'clock P.M.



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